### Governor's Executive Orders/Proclamations

# EXECUTIVE ORDERS, PROCLAMATIONS OF GENERAL APPLICABILITY, AND STATEMENTS ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 41-1013(B)(3)

The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires the full-text publication of all Executive Orders and Proclamations of General Applicability issued by the Governor. In addition, the *Register* shall include each statement filed by the Governor in granting a commutation, pardon or reprieve, or stay or suspension of execution where a sentence of death is imposed.

### **EXECUTIVE ORDER 98-3**

## TO ALLOCATE FUNDS TO ENSURE CONTINUA-TION OF AIDS MEDICATION

(Supercedes Executive Order 97-10)

WHEREAS, the AIDS Drug Assistance Program, administered by the Department of Health Services, HIV/STD Office, will deplete its current year funding before the end of March without emergency measures to ensure continuation of AIDS medication services to those currently enrolled in the program; and

WHEREAS, the AIDS Drug Assistance Program provides access to medications used to treat HIV and prevent the onset of related opportunistic infections for low income people living with HIV/AIDS who do not have adequate private or public health insurance; and

WHEREAS, during the past year there have been many advances in the treatment of HIV and the prevention of illness in those infected which will exhaust the current funding level of the AIDS Drug Assistance Program; and

WHEREAS, the inability to provide the more costeffective AIDS medication services to eligible HIV/AIDS individuals would ultimately increase costs to Arizona taxpayers for hospitalization; and

WHEREAS, during the 1997 First Regular Session of the Forty-third Legislature, the Health Crisis Fund was established, authorizing the Governor to expend funds in order to respond to an existing health crisis;

WHEREAS, in Executive Order 97-10, an earlier allocation of \$600,000 was authorized from the Health Crisis Fund for Continuation of AIDS medication.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jane Dee Hull, as Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the Laws of the State, do hereby declare a health crisis or a significant potential for a health crisis in this State and hereby,

a. allocate such funds as necessary, not to exceed \$330,000, for a total allocation of \$930,000 from the Health Crisis Fund as established pursuant to A.R.S. 36-797 to the Department of Health Services, to be used on an as needed basis, for the AIDS Drug Assistance Program.

b direct the Department of Health Services to continue its monthly report regarding expenditures made by the AIDS Drug Assistance Program

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

### Jane Dee Hull Governor

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this Sixteenth day of March in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Twenty-Second.

### ATTEST:

Betsey Bayless Secretary of State